

CLASS OF 1830

GEORGE YOST

Was a native of Johnstown, N. Y.

He studied law with Daniel Cady who made him a business partner.

Eventually Mr. Yost removed to Fort Plain where he attained wealth and professional distinction and was elected County Judge.

He died in 1888.

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George
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Ex-Judge Yost died at Fort Plain, Feb 9, aged 77 years. He was a prominent Republican from the organization of the party. Was state senator in 1854 and county judge 1863-67.

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OLD DIPLOMAS SHOWN
AT FORT PLAIN BANK

FORT PLAIN, Aug. 12.—Through the courtesy of Judge Joseph L. Moore, there has been on exhibition in the main room of the Fort Plain National Bank building three diplomas awarded the late Judge George Yost of Fort Plain, for many years the bank's attorney. The first dated August 5, 1830 (100 years old last Tuesday) was given upon his graduation from Union college, Schenectady.

Another was granted January 19, 1836, upon his admission to practice as a solicitor in chancery, and bears the signature of R. Hyde Walworth, then chancellor of the state of New York. The third was granted Judge Yost, October 26, 1838, on his admission as counselor of the supreme court and is signed by Judge Samuel Nelson, then chief justice of the state of New York and who afterwards was one of the justices of the United States supreme court which rendered the Dred Scott decision.

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Judge Moore spoke briefly of about twenty men prominent in Fort Plain during the last half century and read the names of as many more, whom he did not have time to talk about. The first old-timer that he spoke of was Judge George Yost, who died in 1887. Judge Moore first studied law in the office of Judge Yost, then located where the Yerdon ice cream plant now is operating. The speaker said that Judge Yost was a remarkable lawyer with a deep knowledge of law relative to real estate cases. In fact he was an attorney of whom Fort Plain might well be proud.

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Judge Yost came to Fort Plain about 1848 from Johnstown and lived in the century old brick house which he bought of Henry Crouse, its builder. It is now occupied by R. B. McRae. Judge Yost was previously associated as a law partner with Judge Daniel Cady of Johnstown, father of Elizabeth Cady Stanton, the pioneer suffrage leader. Judge Cady was one of the first lawyers in New York state in his day. Mrs. Parsons, who was the last of the Yost family to live in the present McRae home, was a niece of Judge Yost. She married Levi Parsons, who built one of the French continental railroads. Parsons, Kan., was named for him. *3/31/27*

When Judge Yost died, following his request, his body was put in his own sleigh and driven to the cemetery in Johnstown, behind his favorite team of horses, driven, probably, by his faithful retainer, Clay Chamberlain. Judge Yost came from an old Holland Dutch family, which settled in Johnstown prior to the Revolution.

George B. Yost, Union Class of 1830

Montgomery County Judge

New York State Senator

Son of Nicholas Yost of Yosts, N.Y.

Entered Union from Johnstown, N.Y. and lived at Fort Plain, when deceased.

GEORGE YOST, '30,

was born in Johnstown, N. Y., where he studied law with Daniel Cady and became his partner. In College he was an Adelpheic. He was a Republican and became State Senator in 1854. From 1863 to 1867 he was Judge and Surrogate of Montgomery county. He died at Fort Plain where he had long resided, on Feb. 9th, 1888, in his 77th yr.

GEORGE YOST, 1830, of Johnstown, N.Y., was a member of the Adelpheic Society.
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